

**MINUTES**  
**STATE BOARD FOR COMMUNITY AND JUNIOR COLLEGES**  
**WORK SESSION**  
**March 18, 2004**

The State Board for Community and Junior Colleges (SBCJC) met at 6:00 p.m. at the Jackson Hilton in Jackson, Mississippi, on March 18, 2004.

**The following members were present:** Major General Denver Brackeen, Mr. Napoleon Moore, Dr. Dorothy Nelson, Mr. George Walker and Ms. Veldore Young.  
*Members Absent: Mr. Jimmy Murphy, Ms. Patricia Randall, Mr. Lawrence Warren and Mrs. Brenda Yonge.*

**SBCJC staff present:** Dr. Wayne Stonecypher, Dr. Randall Bradberry, Dr. Larry Day and Mrs. Denise Walley.

**Guest present:** Dr. Bill Smith – IHL.

Mr. George Walker called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

After welcoming everyone present, Mr. Walker asked Dr. Stonecypher to give a report on the Budget Recommendations for the Community and Junior Colleges for FY 2005. The Senate Appropriations Bill that is expected to become available tomorrow is similar to the Governor's recommendation, which will be \$28-29 million less than what we requested. If this bill passes, we would expect to run out of the FY 2005 allocated Workforce funds by August 2004. Dr. Stonecypher explained that the House Appropriation Bill appears to take care of the community colleges, but at the expense of Workforce by placing a large amount of the money that is usually allocated for workforce training in the colleges' support fund; however, this still leaves the college's approximately \$5.2 million short and the SBCJC \$9.2 million short of what is needed.

Dr. Bradberry updated the Board on the two (2) WIA bills: House Bill 973 and Senate Bill 2539. Both bills streamline Workforce by combining the federal and state boards, with the federal board being the surviving entity. Dr. Bradberry also described a Senate bill relating to tax credit for employers and small businesses.

Dr. Stonecypher briefly reviewed the Finance agenda items, as follows:

1. The Disbursements for Fund 2298 in the amount of \$7,456,588 (each) for April, May and June, as shown in "Exhibit I" of the March 19, 2004 minutes.
2. The Education Enhancement Fund Disbursement for February 29, 2004 from Fund 4080 (\$1,854,949.87) and Fund 4110 (\$42,066.89) in the total amount of \$1,897,016.76, as shown in "Exhibit J" of the March 19, 2004 minutes.
3. Financial statements on Funds 2291 and Special Funds as of February 29, 2004, as shown "Exhibit K" of the March 19, 2004 minutes.
4. A spreadsheet that shows the balance in the Flower, Gift and Social fund (shown as "Exhibit L" of the March 19, 2004 minutes). The balance on the Board's

portion is currently \$11.10; therefore, it was suggested that the Board consider making contributions to increase the balance in the account.

Dr. Bradberry stated that Mr. John Adcock will bring to the Board a request from Meridian Community College to change a 450 clock-hour Nail Technician program, by adding 30 additional clock hours to qualify students for financial aid.

Meridian has also requested to add a Cosmetology Teacher Training option under their existing Cosmetology program, which requires a student to be 21 years or older, with two years of cosmetology experience and 12 hours of academic coursework. This two (2) semester program (750 clock hours) would meet all the requirements of the State Board for Cosmetology to prepare the student to take the exams to become an instructor of Cosmetology.

Dr. Randall Bradberry provided a copy of a letter from Mr. Kenneth Smith, Executive Director of the Mississippi Higher Education Assistance Corporation (MHEAC), requesting that the SBCJC reappoint Dr. Starkey Morgan or name a replacement to serve on that Board for a four-year term (see "Exhibit G" of the March 19, 2004 minutes). The Board will be asked to take action on this item at the regular meeting tomorrow.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Recorded by:

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